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## THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

FERNANDEZ et al.

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## **Petition for Extension of Time**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action mailed April 6, 2004.

The requested extension is for three (3) months, extending the period for response from July 6, 2004 to October 6, 2004.

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## **CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8**

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail on this date, October 6, 2004, in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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October 6, 2004

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Applicants claim LARGE ENTITY status in the above-identified application.

Enclosed is Check No. 567480 in the amount of \$980.00 in payment of the three (3) month extension of time fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: <u>October 6, 2004</u>

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